

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER MIGNON L. CLYBURN**

Re: *Amendment of Section 73.3613 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Filing of Contracts*, MB Docket No. 18-4; *Modernization of Media Regulation Initiative*, MB Docket No. 17-105.

Some items need little explanation. Today's NPRM is one of them. By proposing to move away from paper copies for certain contracts and other documents involving broadcast stations, we reduce a purported burden on stations and do so without jeopardizing the public's right to review this information.

As my fellow Commissioners have heard me say in the past, I believe our agency must not forget those who do not have regular access to the internet. This is particularly critical when it comes to the filing of consumer complaints, EEO recruitment, and other agency functions that involve direct consumer engagement.

In the case of the documents required under Section 73.3613, I believe the existing public file rules can adequately inform the public. I look forward to reviewing the public comments that follow to ultimately ensure there are no negative consequences to the public's right to transparency.

My thanks to Michelle Carey, Chris Clark and the Media Bureau staff for your work on this item.